MEMORANDUM

COUNTY OF PLACER

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT PROCUREMENT SERVICES DIVISION

TO:

Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM:

David Seward, Purchasing Manager

DATE:

August 22, 2006

SUBJECT:

Recommendation to Approve Blanket Purchase Orders to Various Firms for Support

Services for the ACORN Payroll/Personnel System in the Total Not-to-Exceed Amount

of \$240,000

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the award of blanket purchase orders to five (5) firms in the total not-to-exceed amount of \$240,000 for support services for the ACORN Payroll/Personnel system.

BACKGROUND

The County's current payroll/personnel information management system, called "ACORN" uses software designed by PeopleSoft. The County has a contract with PeopleSoft for general maintenance and support of the software. However, the contract only covers problems and support issues with the standard base-line product. Occasionally, the Auditor and/or the Personnel Department require additional support outside of the normal contract, and cannot otherwise be performed by County staff.

The Auditor and Personnel have expressed the need for some additional ongoing services. In addition to the firm who originally installed the PeopleSoft/ACORN system, there are a number of other firms who are qualified to do this work. The departments have identified five firms who they feel can best meet their needs. These firms were determined to be the most qualified as a result of an RFP process. The RFP was cancelled as it was determined not to be an effective solution for the services required. The departments have estimated the amount of expenditures for these services over the next one-year period, as follows

FS Systems	\$ 75,000
Implesoft Inc.	75,000
Maximus	30,000
CherryRoad	30,000
TomorrowNow	_30,000
Total:	\$240,000

Individual work assignments will be made as the result of competitive quotes solicited from the firms, in consideration of each one's proposed cost, availability, and individual expertise.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Auditor and Personnel have assured that there are sufficient funds either within their own budgets or the Countywide Systems Fund for Fiscal Year 2006/2007 to support these services.

cc: Andy Sisk, Assistant Auditor-Controller Lori Walsh, Assistant Personnel Director

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